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## **AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on February 25, 2004, Applicants respectfully submit the following remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Request for Correction of Inventorship begins on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application are the following enclosures:

(X) Amendment and Response to Office Action in 13 pages.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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FEE TYPE						FEE CODE	CALCULATION	TOTAL
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- (X) Declaration of Luc Desnoyers and William I. Wood Under 37 CFR 1.131, with exhibits A-E
- (X) A check in the amount of \$344 is enclosed.
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